

**MICHAEL S. CARONA**  
**SHERIFF-CORONER**

Serving as your Sheriff is a great honor. I am pleased to report that residents of Orange County are safer today than they were eight years ago when I first took office.

To live up to my commitment that Orange County continue to be one of the safest places in America, these remain my top priorities:

**Fighting Gang Violence**

Our sheriff's department, partnering with local law enforcement, the District Attorney, Probation and Parole Departments, has been able to reduce criminal activity. By targeting our resources against known gangs and gang members, we have been able to dramatically reduce gang violence. I will continue this fight.

**Protecting Our Children**

Orange County was the first in California to establish an Amber Alert system for locating abducted children. Our system has been used as a model around the nation. Following the tragic abduction and murder of Samantha Runnion, I worked hard to improve our ability to respond to stranger-abductions, and I've worked with Erin Runnion on community-based programs to ensure that the tragedy that befell her daughter never happens again. I am humbled to serve on the board of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and Erin Runnion's Joyful Child Foundation.

**Using Immigration Laws to go after Hard-Core Criminals**

Hard-core criminals should be deported after they serve the time for their crime. I have been working with federal officials and the community, so that this year we will be the first county in America to implement a program to cross-train deputies and investigators with federal immigration authority. This innovative use of law enforcement resources is essential in deporting hard-core criminals after they have served their time.

**Leading the Nation in Uncertain Times**

Since the tragic attack of 9/11, we all have had to adapt to a new world, one where safety at home can no longer be taken for granted. Orange County's preparations for homeland security actually began in 1999, so on 9-11-01 our county government never ceased operations. Because of our preparedness I was appointed and currently serve as a Senior Advisor to the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security.

I have been in law enforcement for over 30 years and am proud to be your Sheriff.

I would be honored by your vote.

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